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In re Application of:

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Title: **Open Drive Regulator, and a Method  
for Obtaining Software for an Open  
Drive Regulator**

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In response to the Office Action mailed October 27, 2003, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments set forth below and requests favorable action thereon. The amendments are formatted and presented in accordance with the Revised Format for Amendments promulgated earlier in 2003 by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The three-month shortened statutory period for reply will be due January 27, 2004, therefore, this response is considered to be filed timely.